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Packaged Strain Actuator

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Before examining the above-identified application, kindly amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION;

Immediately under the title, please add the following section:

--Related Applications

This application is a continuation of Application No. 08/943,646, filed October 3, 1997, which is a continuation of Application No. 08/188,145, filed January 27, 1994.--

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-20 without prejudice, amend claims 21, 23, 25, 26, and 30, and add new claims 32-57 as follows:

21. (Amended) A method of forming an actuator, such method comprising the steps of forming a flex circuit having conductive traces arranged in a pattern